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**PETLAS MARIANAS+ AT Hafa ADAI-TIROW CULTURAL EXPERIENCE**

**Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)** – Petlas Marianas and Refaluwasch Warriors are scheduled to present Chamorro and Carolinian dances from 7-8 p.m. at tomorrow's (Sept. 8) Hafa Adai-Tirow Tuesdays and Thursdays cultural experience in Garapan, Saipan. Also scheduled to join the live entertainment lineup for the evening are Crash Band at 5 p.m., JJ Aguon at 6 p.m., and Local Boys at 8 p.m.

The cultural experience highlights indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian culture and is held twice a week at the Carolinian Utt along the beach. The event is organized by the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA), Carolinian Affairs Office (CAO), and Indigenous Affairs Office (as an evening attraction for visitors and residents).

Arts and crafts, traditional and contemporary performing arts, and food sales are part of every evening. Entry is free.

“Hafa Adai-Tirow Tuesdays and Thursdays provides indigenous cultural experiences for our visitors, and we warmly welcome all of them to stop by during their visit to The Marianas,” said MVA Managing Director Priscilla M. Iakopo.

For more information, please contact Carolinian Affairs Office Project Coordinator Agatha Ketebengang at [outreach.cao@gmail.com](mailto:outreach.cao@gmail.com) or 1.670.234.6384.





Germaine Deleon Guerrero weaves a coconut frond hat at the Hafa Adai-Tirow cultural experience on Sept. 6, 2022, at the Carolinian Utt in Garapan. The event is held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5-9 p.m. featuring Chamorro and Carolinian arts and crafts, live entertainment, and food sales. The event is co-organized by the Marianas Visitors Authority, Carolinian Affairs Office, and Indigenous Affairs Office.



Melchy Billy weaves a bead *lighututuur* necklace at the Hafa Adai-Tirow cultural experience on Sept. 6, 2022, at the Carolinian Utt in Garapan. The event is held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5-9 p.m. and features Chamorro and Carolinian live entertainment, arts and crafts, and food sales.

The Marianas is an archipelago of 14 islands - including Saipan, Tinian, and Rota - in the Western Pacific.

The Marianas are home to indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian people, as well as over 20 different ethnicities from around the world who live and work in this harmonious tropical paradise. Ancient latte stone limestone monoliths, traditional nature-based ocean navigation not reliant on modern technology, and a culture seasoned by East and West influences are just a few of the experiences found in The Marianas, where pristine sea, sand, and skies are only a 3-4 hour flight from major Asian gateway cities. The Marianas is the first destination with a travel bubble agreement with South Korea, where Asiana Airlines, Jeju Air, and T'Way provide direct flights to Saipan from Seoul-Incheon and Jeju Air and Air Busan operate weekly flights from Busan. United Airlines flies three times a week from Tokyo, Japan, and daily from Guam. Interisland travel between Saipan, Tinian, and Rota is provided by Marianas Southern Airways and Star Marianas Air. For more information on The Marianas, visit [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com), [Facebook/VisitTheMarianas](https://www.facebook.com/VisitTheMarianas), or Instagram [@themarianas](https://www.instagram.com/themarianas).

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